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S. 2457

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

AN ACT

To provide for extensions of leases of certain land by
Mashantucket Pequot (Western) Tribe.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSIONS OF LEASES OF CERTAIN LAND BY**
2 **MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT (WESTERN) TRIBE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Any lease of restricted land of the
4 Mashantucket Pequot (Western) Tribe (referred to in this
5 section as the “Tribe”) entered into on behalf of the Tribe
6 by the tribal corporation of the Tribe chartered pursuant
7 to section 17 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 477),
8 may include an option to renew the lease for not more
9 than 2 additional terms, each of which shall not exceed
10 25 years, subject only to the approval of the tribal council
11 of the Tribe.

12 (b) LIABILITY OF UNITED STATES.—The United
13 States shall not be liable to any party for any loss result-
14 ing from a renewal of a lease entered into pursuant to
15 subsection (a).

16 (c) PROHIBITION ON GAMING ACTIVITIES.—No enti-
17 ty may conduct any gaming activity (within the meaning
18 of section 4 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25
19 U.S.C. 2703)) pursuant to a claim of inherent authority
20 or any Federal law (including the Indian Gaming Regu-
21 latory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) and any regulations
22 promulgated by the Secretary of the Interior or the Na-
23 tional Indian Gaming Commission pursuant to that Act)

- 1 on any land that is leased with an option to renew the
- 2 lease in accordance with this section.

Passed the Senate February 5, 2008.

Attest: NANCY ERICKSON,
Secretary.